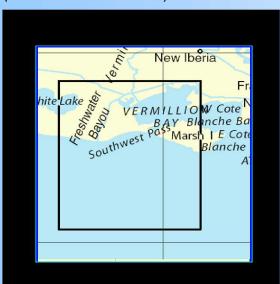
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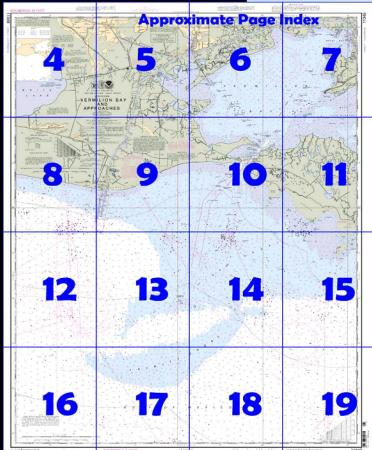
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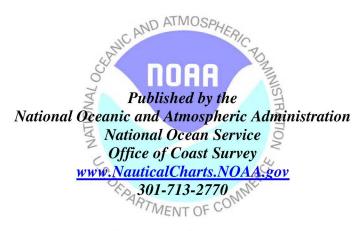


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[Coast Pilot 5, Chapter 9 excerpts]

(265) Marsh Island, on the S side of Vermilion Bay and W of Atchafalaya Bay, is low and marshy. The entire Gulf shore of the island is foul; numerous oyster reefs, some of which uncover at low water, extend for about 4.5 miles off the S point of the island. The foul area should not be entered without local knowledge. Shell Keys, a low group of small islands 3 miles SSW of Mound Point, the southernmost point of Marsh Island, are only about 2 feet high.

(266) **Trinity Shoal** lies about 25 miles S of Southwest Pass, Vermilion Bay, and 60 miles 285° from Ship Shoal Daybeacon. The shoal is about 20 miles long in a WSW and ENE direction, and has depths of 11 to 18 feet. It is fairly steep-to on its S side, the 5- and 10-fathom curves being distant only about 1 and 5 miles, respectively. In calm weather Trinity Shoal is discernible by a difference in the color of the water, and in

stormy weather by a choppy sea. Because of its greater depth, the sea does not break as heavily on Trinity Shoal as it does on Ship Shoal. (270) **Southwest Pass** extends between the W end of Marsh Island and the mainland and is the entrance to Vermilion Bay from the Gulf. The pass is marked by lights and daybeacons, and the approach channel across the bar is marked by lights. In September 1994, the controlling depth across the bar and through the pass was 6½ feet. Although not difficult to enter, the pass may be difficult to recognize and local assistance is advised.

(271) West Cote Blanche Bay, and Vermilion Bay together make up a large body of water extending WNW from the NW side of Atchafalaya Bay, and are separated from the Gulf by Marsh Island. This water area is about 32 miles long and 5 to 15 miles wide, and depths averaging of 5 to 9 feet. With the exception of Cote Blanche Island, Weeks Island, and Avery Island, the shores of these bays and Marsh Island are low and marshy. In recent years there has been extensive oil exploration in the bays offshore from Burns off South Bend in East Cote Blanche Bay, along the NW shore in West Cote Blanche Bay, and on Dry Reef. (276) Cypremort Point, on the E side of Vermilion Bay and NW side of West Cote Blanche Bay, is the site of a summer resort. Several private canals, on which are homes and private docks, have been dredged into the banks on the N side of the point. Gasoline, diesel fuel, ice, and a launching ramp are available at a fuel facility on the point. The canals and the channel leading to the fuel facility had reported controlling depths of about 3 feet in July 1982. Private mooring slips are available. State Route 319 connects the point with the town of Cypremort. (277) Weeks Island, 171 feet high, is E of Weeks Bay, the NE extension of Vermilion Bay. The Intracoastal Waterway passes close along the W side of the island. Several storage tanks and the mine buildings make prominent landmarks from the bays; salt is mined on the island. There are rail and highway connections to Balwin on Bayou Teche. A large oil field is on the N side of Weeks Island.

(279) A dredged channel in **Bayou Petite Anse** leads from the Intracoastal Waterway N for about 5.3 miles to a fixed highway bridge at the N end of Avery Island. In April 1997, the controlling depth was 11 feet to the junction with Bayou Carlin, thence 4 feet to the highway bridge. Daybeacons mark the channel.

(286) **Vermilion River**, also known as **Bayou Vermilion** and so marked at the bridge crossings, flows from the N and crosses the Intracoastal Waterway and enters Vermilion Bay through **Four Mile Cutoff** (**Vermilion River Cutoff**).

(308) White Lake is 12 miles long and 6 miles wide, and has depths of 4 feet or more over a mud bottom. The E and W entrances to the lake are marked by lights, both aids being on the N side of the channel. The course across the lake passes about 0.5 mile off the point in the middle of the N shore of the lake. The channel is not marked.

(317) **Pecan Island,** S of White Lake, is a long, wooded ridge about 10 feet high. **Pecan Island,** a village on the S end of **Pecan Island Canal,** has a few stores with limited supplies. Gasoline may be obtained by portage.

(318) **Pecan Island Canal,** a dredged channel, leads S from White Lake to Pecan Island. In July 1982, the reported controlling depth across the bar was 1 foot.

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HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

INLAND WATERWAY

The controlling depth from Schooner Bayou Canal to the Mermentau River via White Lake and Grand Lake was 4 feet.

CAUTION

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 5 for important supplemental information.

CAUTION Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

BADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

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The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevation. high elevations.

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MINERAL DEVELOPMENT STRUCTURES

Obstruction lights and sound (fog) signals are required for fixed mineral development structures shown on this chart, subject to approval by the District Commander, U.S. Coast Guard (33 CFR 67).

INE PIPELINES AND CABLES

INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY Use charts 11348 and 11350

The project depth is 12 feet from New Orleans, Louisiana, to Aransas Pass, Texas. The Controlling depths are published periodically in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners.

WARNING

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HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System of 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 do not require conversion to NAD 83 for plotting on this chart.

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RATES ON THIS CHART

Loran-C correction tables published by the National Geospatia-Intelligence Agency or others should not be used with this chart. The lines of position shown have been adjusted based on survey data. Every effort has been made to meet the ¼ nautical mile accuracy criteria established by the U.S. Coast Guard. Mariners are cautioned not to rely solely on the lattices in inshore waters.

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SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charing. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, <u>United States Coast Pilot.</u>

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COLREGS: International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. Demarcation lines are shown thus: ----

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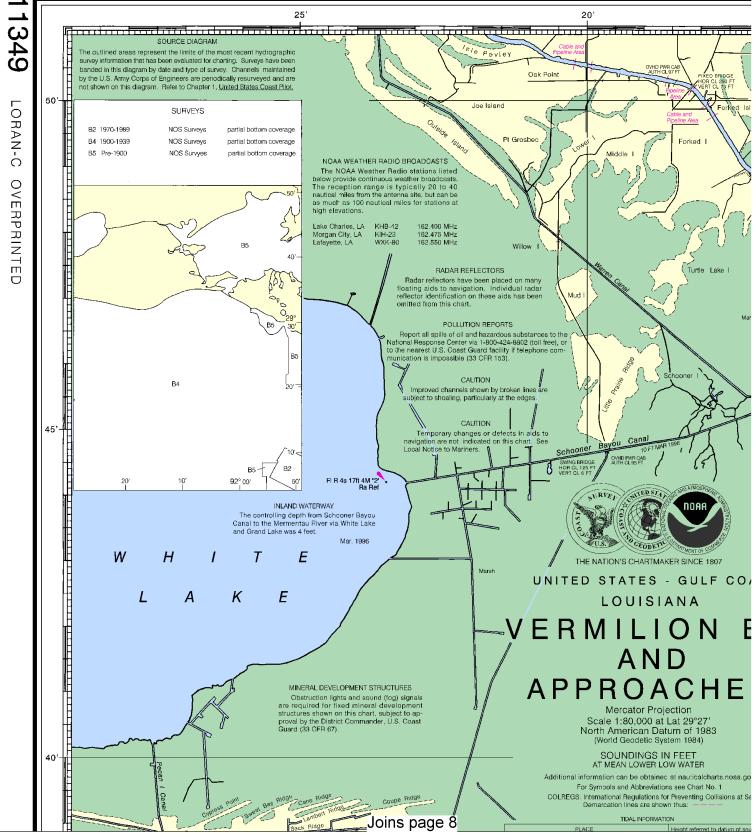
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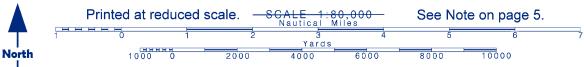
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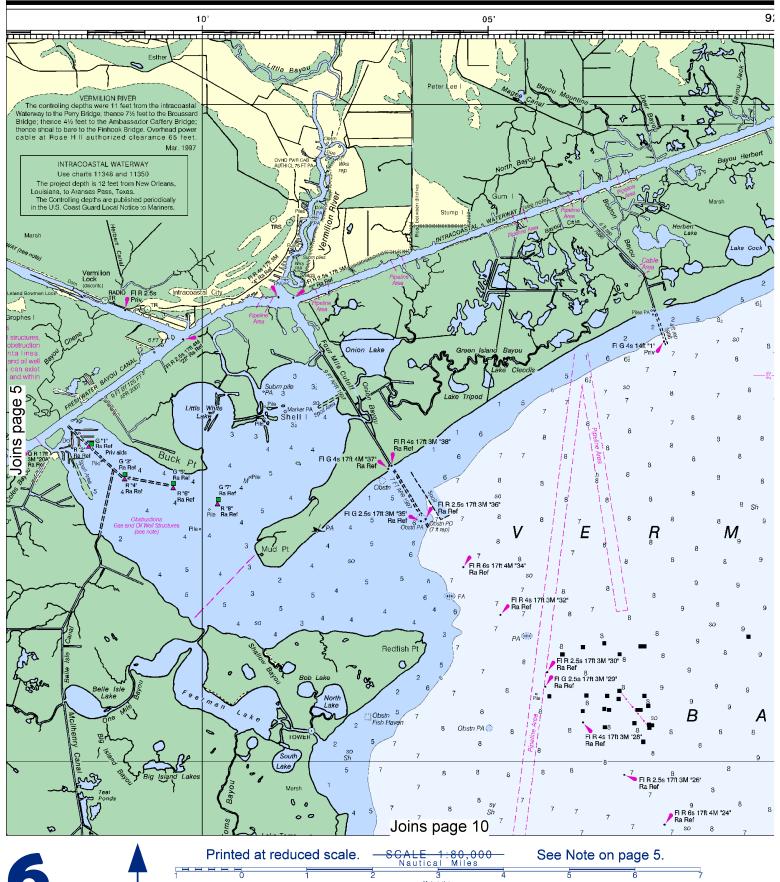
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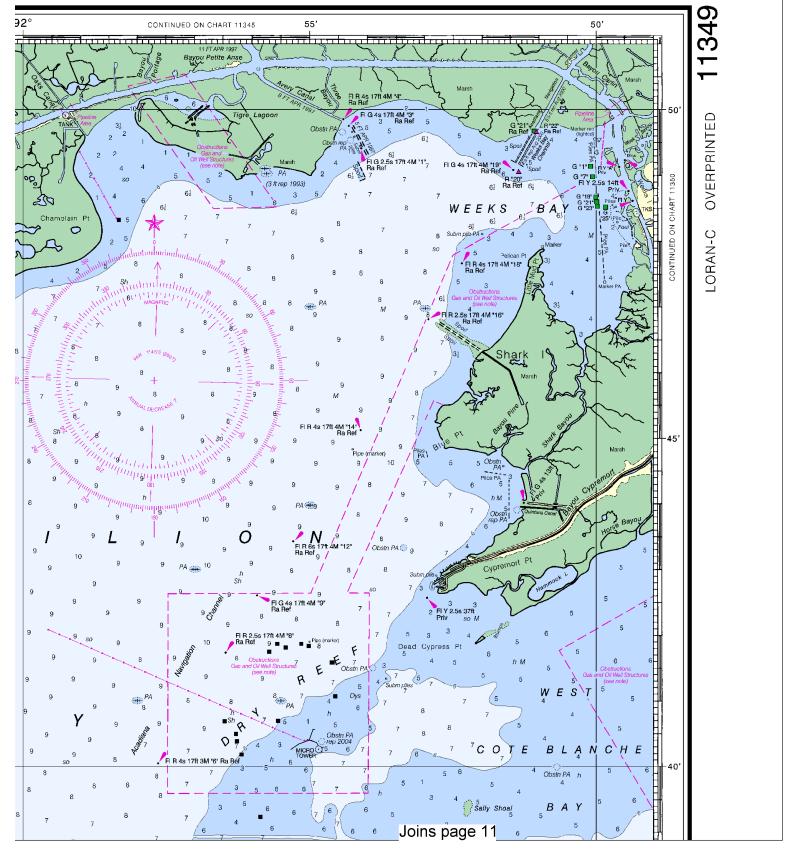
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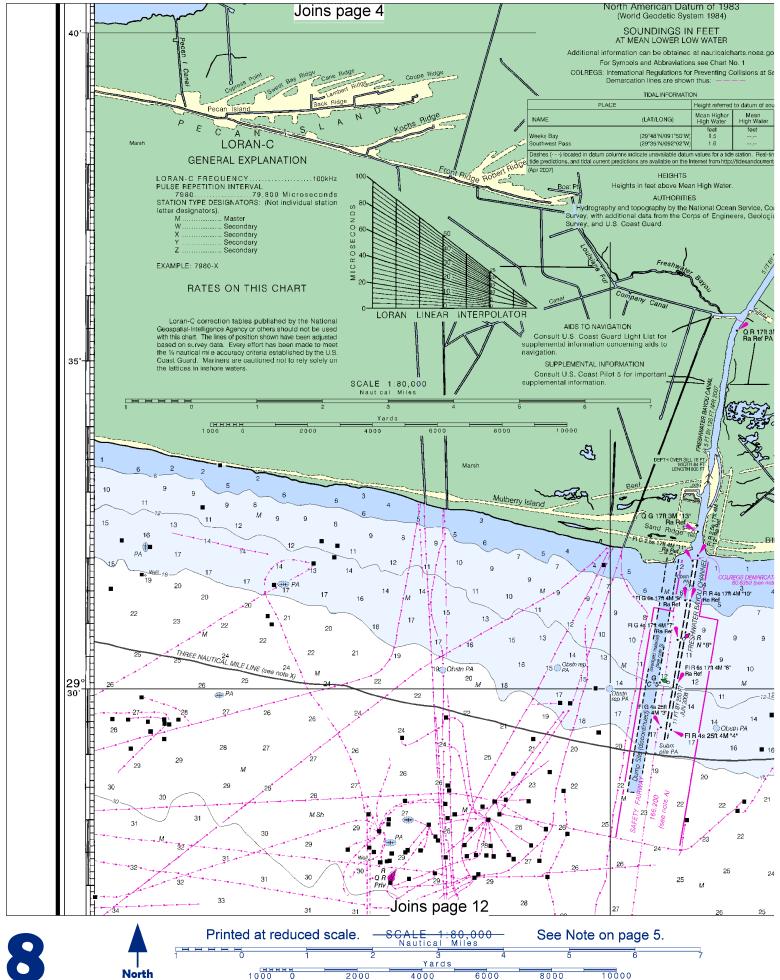




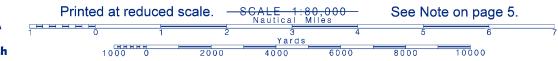


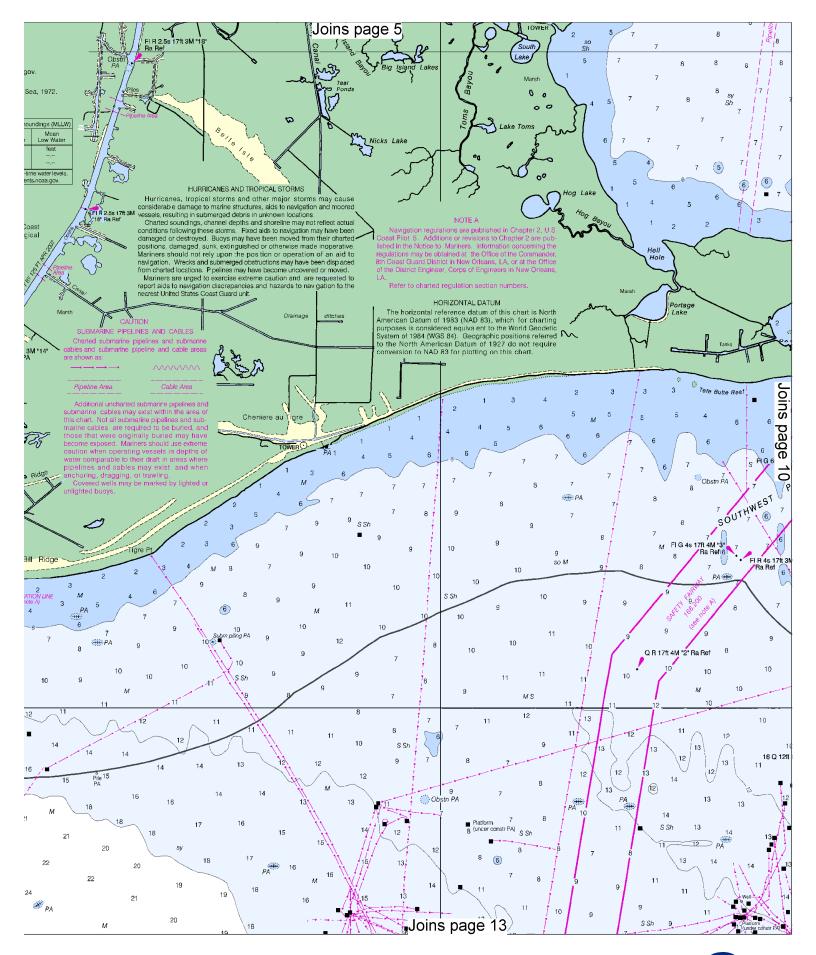
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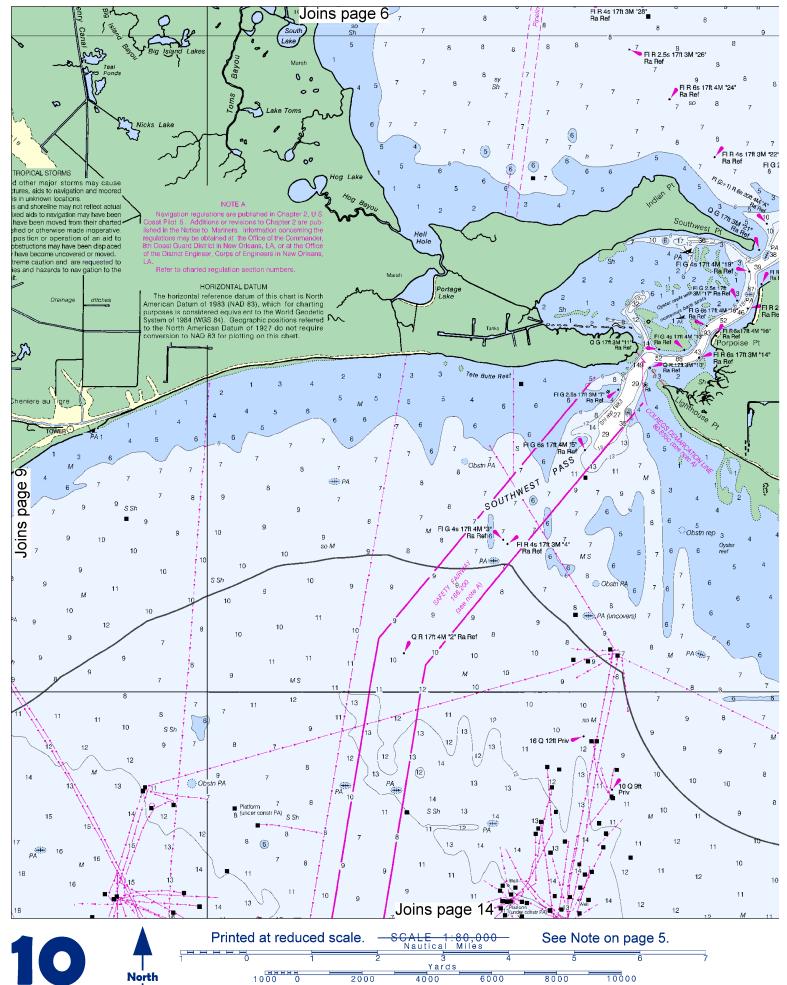


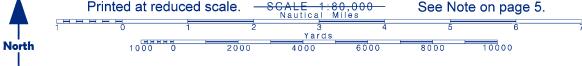


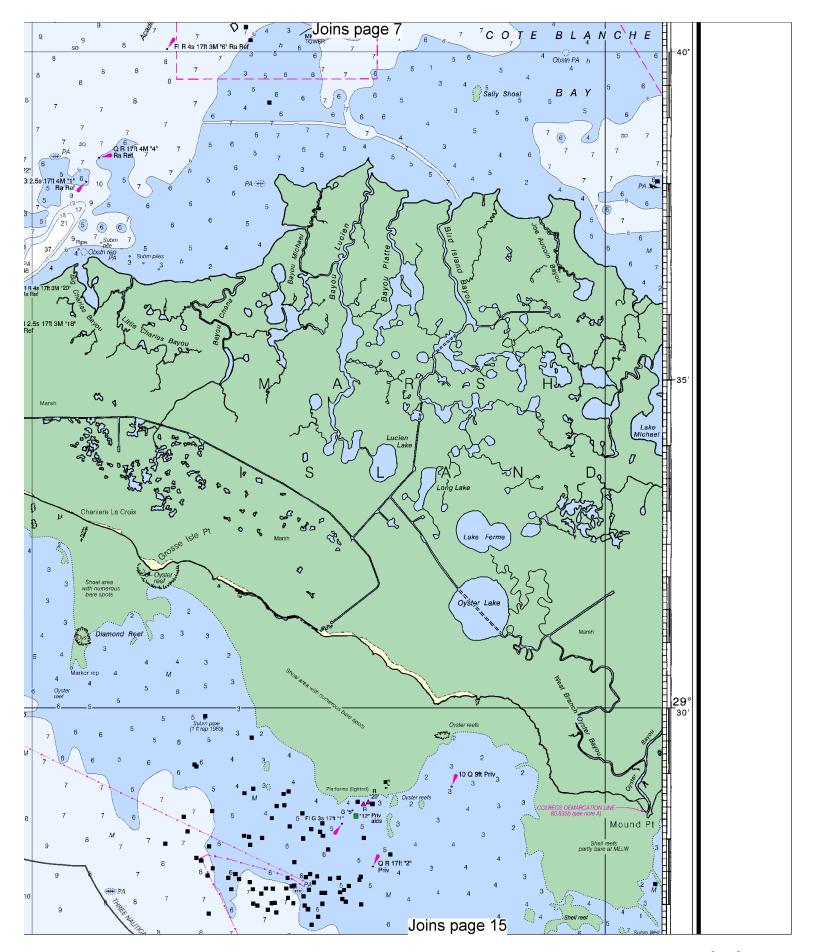


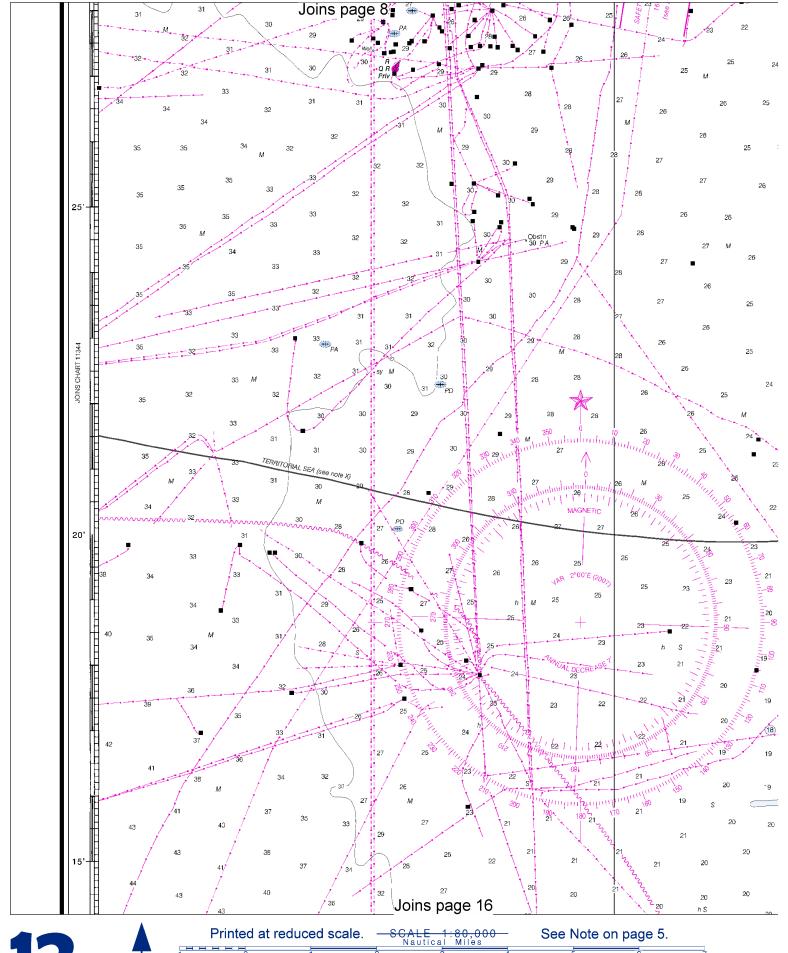




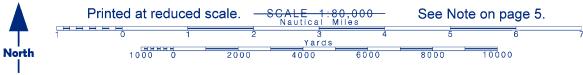


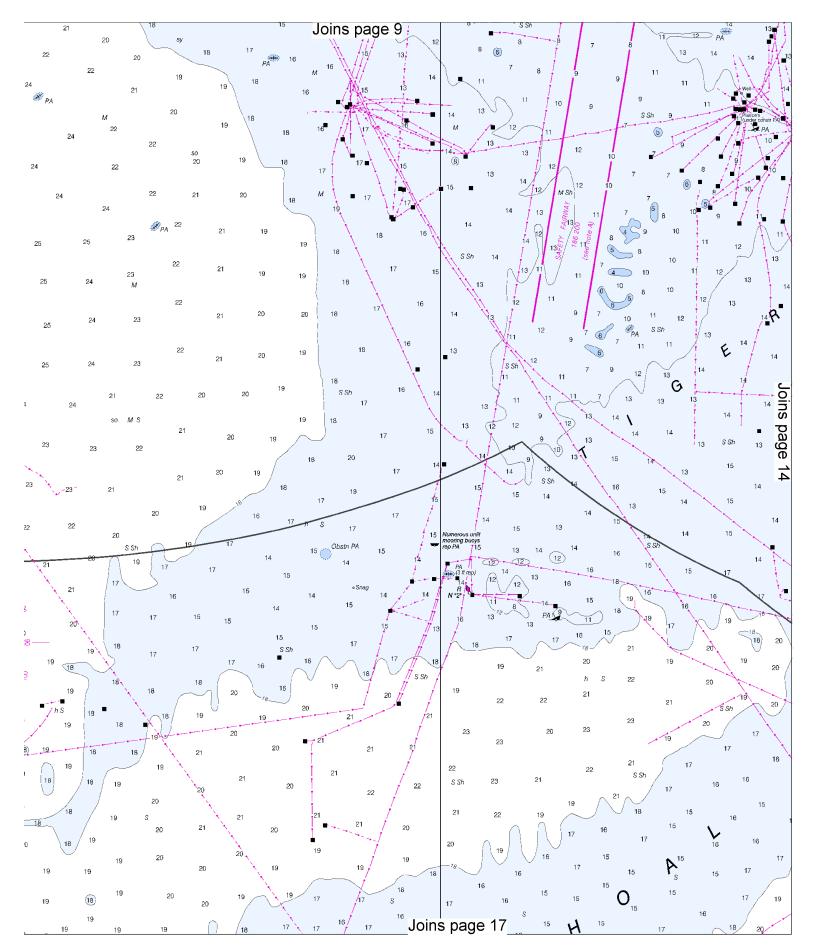


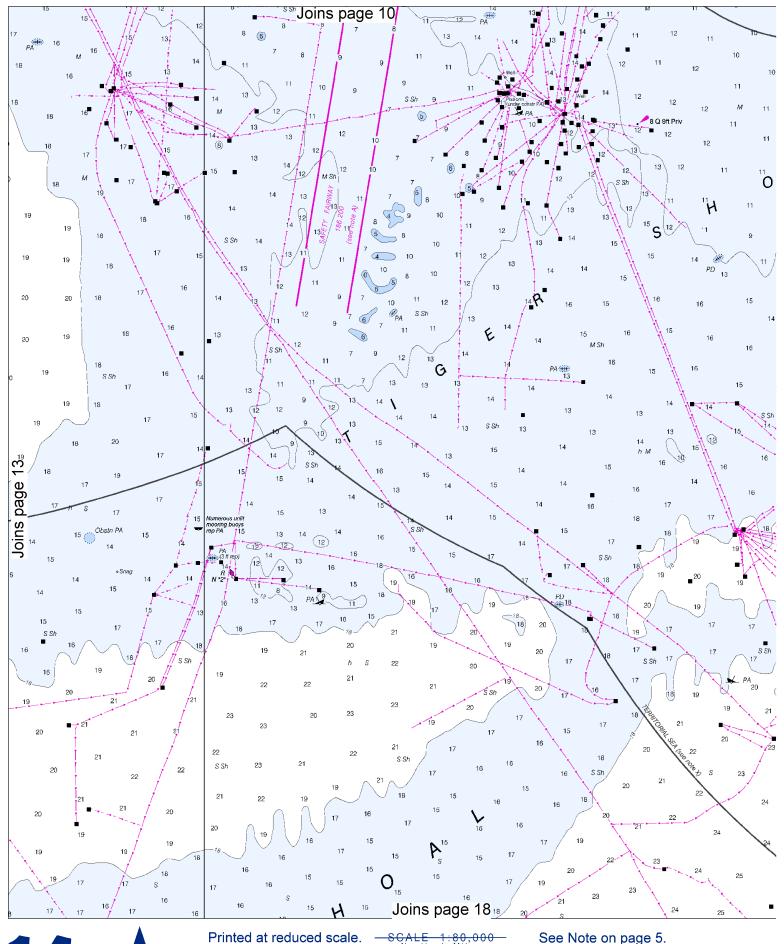


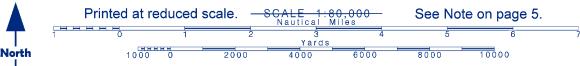


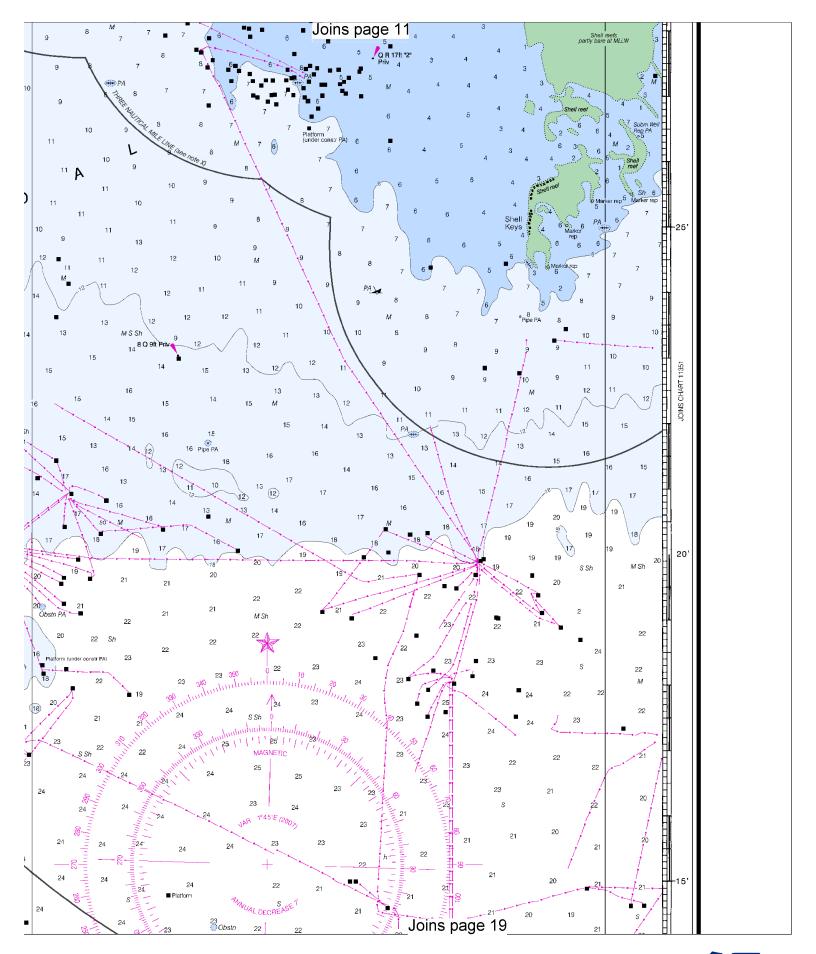


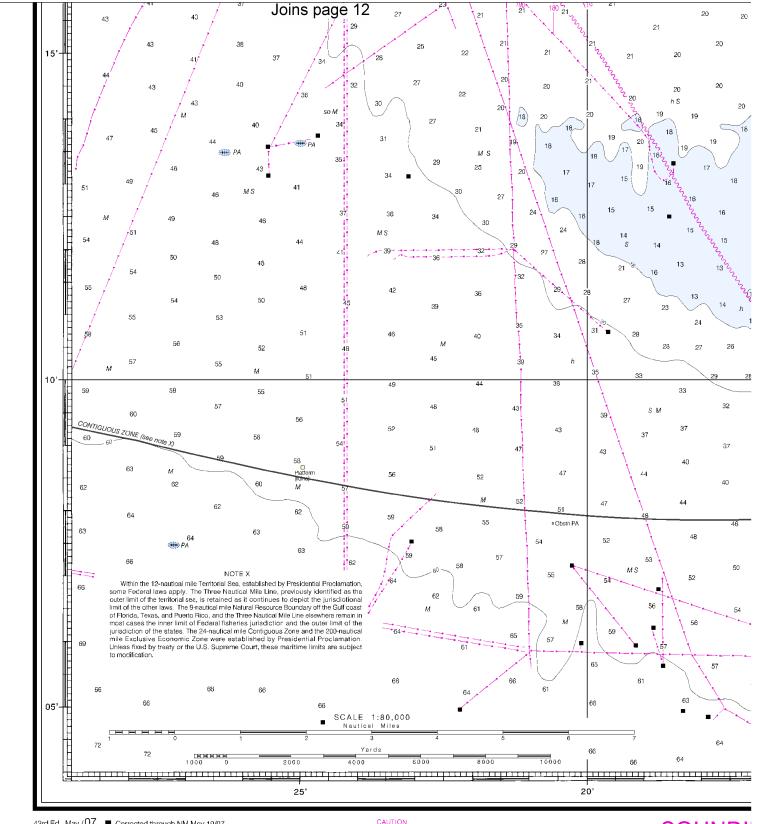












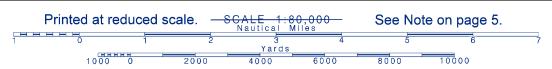
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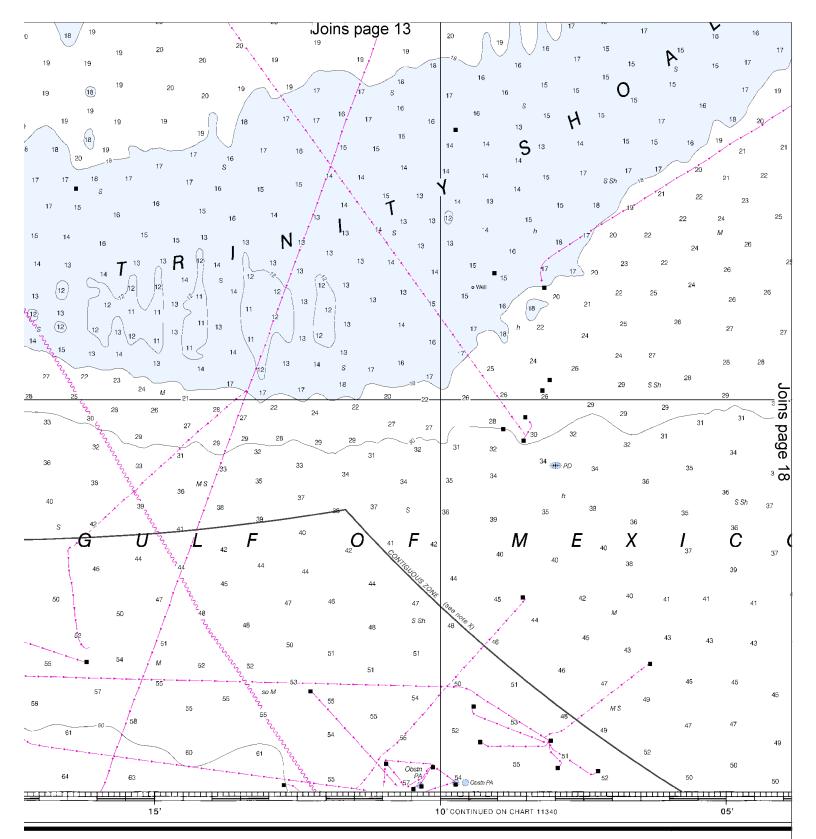
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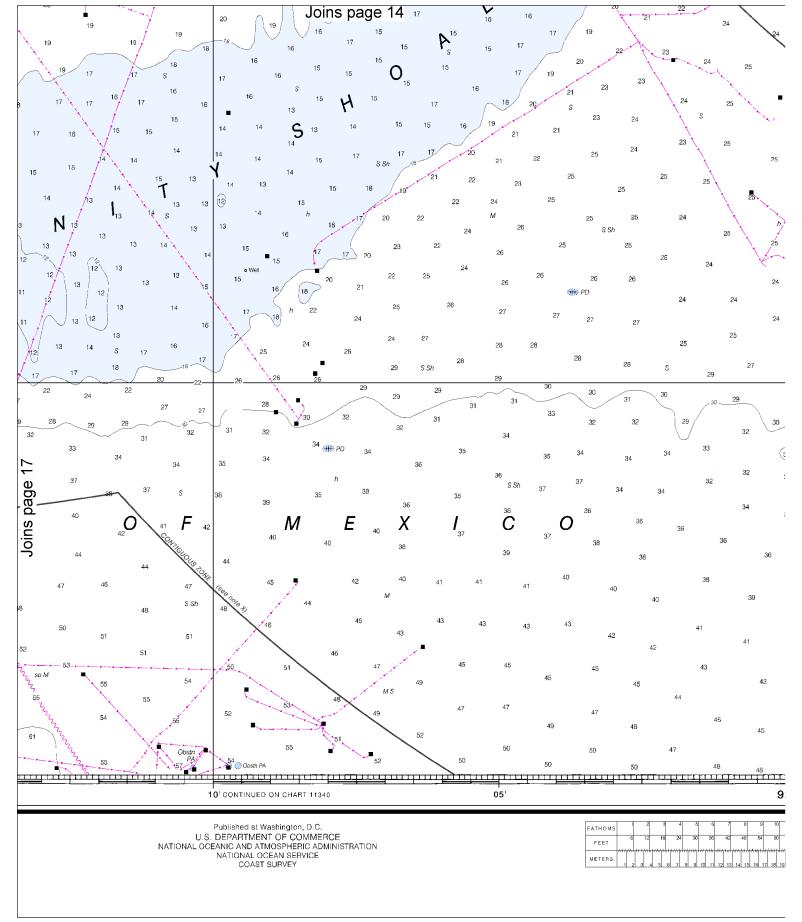






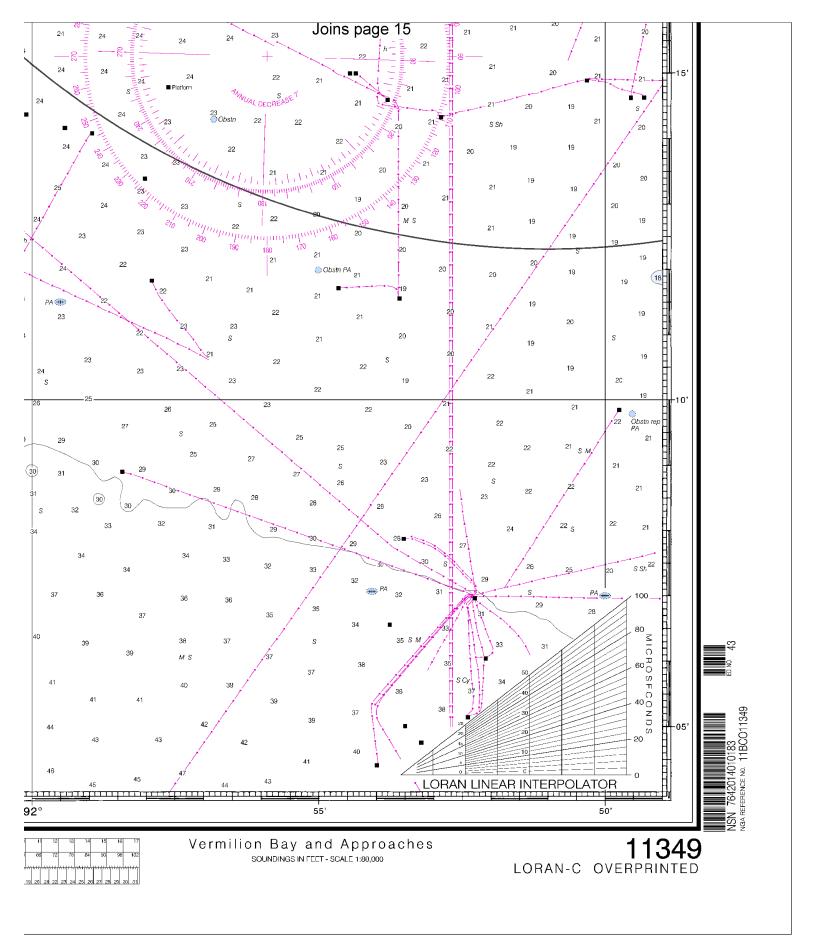
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- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
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